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Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, USN
Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic
Naval Base
Norfolk, Virginia 23511

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

Dear Admiral Kidd:

I want to thank you for the highly profitable orientation program your staff put together on 6 and 7 April for twelve Agency intelligence officers. The briefings on command and control, intelligence collection, and other naval subjects were directly responsive to these officers' interests. The time that your staff spent in helping Agency officers understand U.S. naval doctrine, strategy and tactics was very beneficial to all who participated in the program.

I would be grateful if you were to convey my appreciation to the members of your staff who were involved (see attached list). Your J2, Captain Butts, along with Commanders Creely and Moser of his staff, Commanders Hackett and Shelton of the USS America, Lt. Ron Ray of the USS Whitney and liaison officer Lt. Al Giglia, USMC, deserve special mention. The attention they gave to the specific interests of Agency officers contributed significantly to the overall success of the visit.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ E. H. Knoche

E. H. Knoche
Deputy Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Norfolk Naval Orientation Program,
6-7 April 1977

BACKGROUND:

1. The staff of the Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic Forces (CINCLANT), staged an orientation program on naval systems for twelve CIA analysts from the DDI and DDS&T on 6-7 April. The CIA officers who participated in the program (Tab A) found the two days of briefings useful and pertinent to their areas of interest. They appreciated the opportunity to question naval experts and view ships, aircraft, and weapons systems firsthand. The CINCLANT J2, Captain John Butts, was particularly helpful in seeing that the program was responsive to the CIA analysts' interests. I have attached for the DDCI's signature a letter to Admiral Kidd (Tab B), expressing thanks to the Command and Fleet for their efforts on the Agency's behalf.

CINCLANT Program:

2. On the first day, the CIA group began the orientation program by attending the CINC's daily intelligence brief, which was presided over by Admiral Whitmire. This was followed by a series of briefings on ADP applications in naval intelligence, Soviet naval doctrine and strategy, intelligence collection, ocean surveillance, and fleet intelligence.

3. The second day was spent aboard the carrier USS America and the command ship USS Whitney. The USS America's intelligence officer escorted the CIA group around the hangar, flight deck, captain's bridge, air control tower and intelligence center. The ship's squadron commanders explained the functions of their aircraft in intelligence collection programs and in combat operations. Aboard the USS Whitney, the CIA officers were shown the ship's various "modules" where operations are plotted and from which task force weapons systems are controlled.

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COMMENTS:

4. The decision to limit the group to not more than a dozen officers directly concerned with naval subjects proved wise. The program was presented informally with plenty of time permitted for questions and discussion. The CINCLANT staff carefully tailored the subject matter to analysts specialities. Most Agency officers, however, would have preferred an even less structured program with more time for one-on-one discussion of specific naval systems.



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Charles E. Allen
Chief, Coordination Staff

Attachments:

- Tab A. List of CIA Participants
- Tab B. Ltr to CINCLANT (Admiral Kidd)

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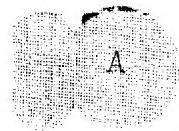
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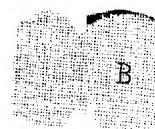
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19 MAY 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Sayre Stevens
Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT : Letter of Appreciation to CINCLANT

1. Action Requested: Your signature on the attached letter to Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic, Admiral Kidd, expressing appreciation for a naval orientation program given by his staff to a number of CIA analysts on 6-7 April 1977.

2. Background: The orientation program was requested by the ADDI on behalf of DDI and DDS&T analysts specializing in naval subjects. We outlined for the Navy the specific topics that we wished to have covered. The Navy responded with a two-stage program. The first installment, presented last month in Norfolk by the CINCLANT's staff, focused on questions relating to fleet activities and hardware. The twelve CIA officers who attended were impressed by the program and the Navy's effort to provide detailed information on their areas of interest. The second stage, a one-day program to be presented later in Washington, will emphasize naval organization and will accommodate a larger Agency group.

3. Recommendation: That you recognize the efforts of those in CINCLANT who put together this orientation program by sending the attached letter of appreciation to Captain Kidd.

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Sayre Stevens

Attachment:
a/s

APPROVED : Mr. signed by DDCI
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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